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SUBJ: "ARMED FRONT" CLAIMS HAZAMA EXPLOSION

REF: TOKYO 2668

SUMMARY: SUB-GROUP OF "EAST ASIA ANTI-JAPANESE ARMED FRONT" CLAIMED MARCH 1 THAT IT HAD CARRIED OUT PART OF BOMBING OPERATION AGAINST HAZAMA-GUMI FEBRUARY 28. END SUMMARY.

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS, MAJOR TOKYO DAILY "ASAHI" RECEIVED LETTER MARCH 2 WHICH SAID: QTE: WE, AS A UNIT TAKING PART IN THE KISODANI-TEMENGOR OPERATION, HAVE CARRIED OUT A BOMBING ATTACK AGAINST HAZAMA-GUMI HEADQUARTERS (SIXTH FLOOR) FEBRUARY 28. EAST ASIA ANTI-JAPANESE ARMED FRONT -- SCORPION. UNQTE. POSTMARK ON LETTER SHOWED IT WAS MAILED FROM CENTRAL TOKYO MARCH 1 BETWEEN 12 NOON AND 6:00 PM, I.E. 16 TO 22 HOURS AFTER EXPLOSION.

2. PRESS EXPLAINED THAT "KISONDANI" AND "TEMENGOR" REFER UNCLASSIFIED

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TO TWO HAZAMA-GUMI DAM CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. "KISONDANI"

WAS PROJECT BEGUN IN 1942 IN UPPER REACHES OF KISO RIVER IN JAPAN WHICH CLAIMED LIVES OF MANY CHINESE AND KOREAN FORCED-LABORERS. "TEMENGOR" IS CURRENT HAZAMAI-GUMI PROJECT IN MALAYSIA. LAST DECEMBER, IT WAS REPORTEDLY ATTACKED BY MALAYSIAN GUERRILLAS. WIFE OF A HAZAMA-GUMI EMPLOYEE WAS REPORTEDLY KILLED IN THE ATTACK. "SCORPION" REFERS TO A SUBGROUP OF THE ARMED FRONT WHICH SAID EARLIER THAT IT HAD CARRIED OUT BOMBING OF KAJIMA CONSTRUCTION COMPANY PLANT LAST DECEMBER.

3. SINCE THE SCORPION SUBGROUP CALIMED ONLY EXPLOSION ON SIXTH FLOOR OF HAZAMA-GUMI BUILDING, POLICE BELIEVE THAT TWO OTHER ALMOST SIMULTANEOUS EXPLOSIONS--ON THE NINTH FLOOR OF THE BUILDING AND AT THE OMIYA PLANT--MAY HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY OTHER SUBGROUPS OF THE ARMED FRONT, SUCH AS "FANG OF THE EARTH" AND "WOLF", WHICH CLAIMED EARLIER BOMBING OPERATIONS AGAINST OTHER MAJOR TOKYO FIRMS.

4. REFTEL BEING REPEATED TO KUALA LUMPUR AND SINGAPORE. HODGSON

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